

# Fisheries Information System (FIS)

## **NOAA Fisheries - Pacific Islands Regional Office (PIRO) & Fisheries Science Center (PIFSC) FIS Partner Brief**

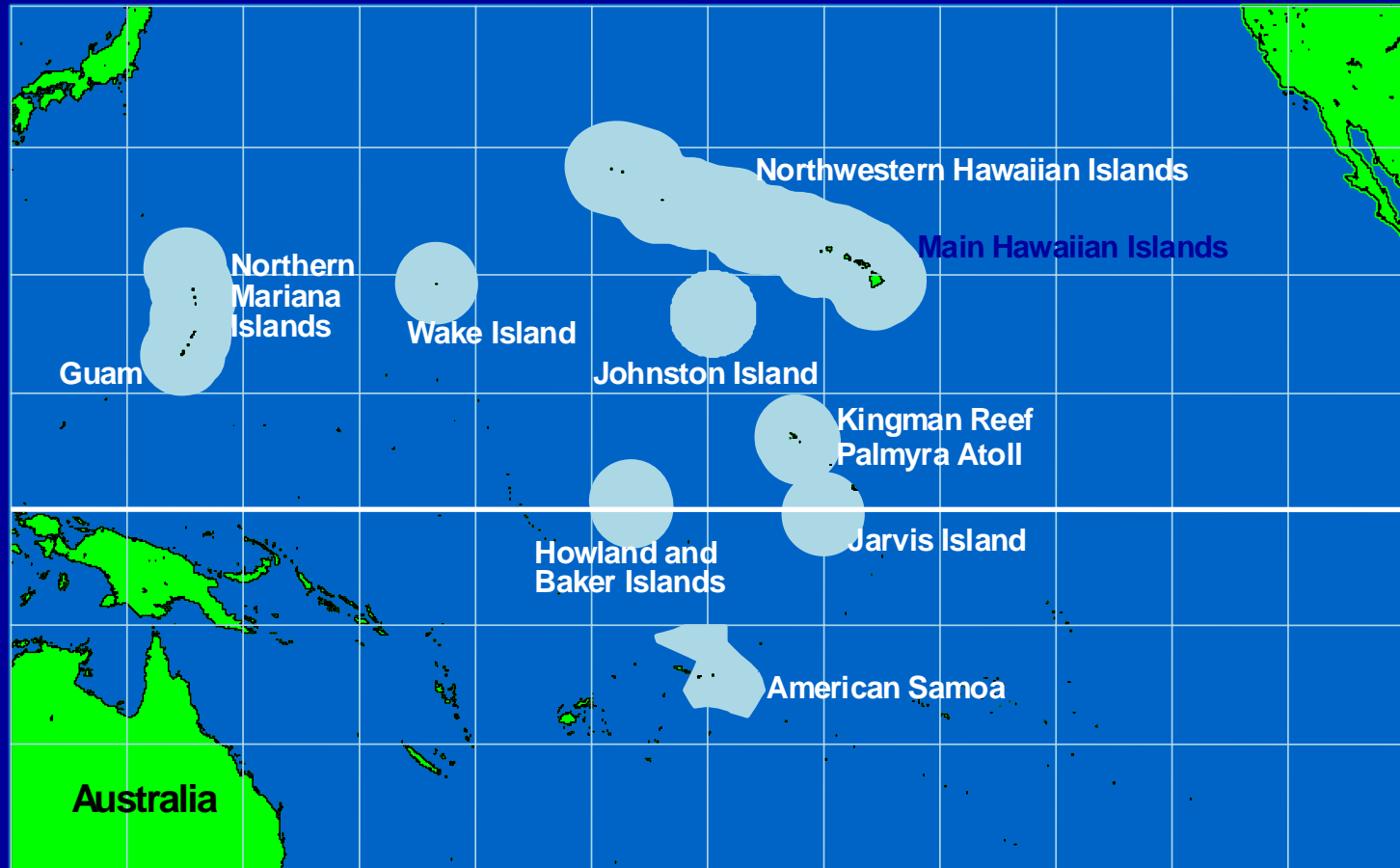
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# Organizational Background

- PIRO, PIFSC, WPacFIN
- 1976 became a fisheries region under SWR
- 2003 became a NMFS region
- Value of Fisheries – Honolulu port 6<sup>th</sup> in 2005
- Largest U.S. fisheries area

# Central and Western Pacific



- 50% of the U.S. exclusive economic zone

# Organizational Profile

## Fisheries actively managed

- American Samoa and Hawaii longline
- Hawaii bottomfish
- 5 FMPs in all with 4 FEPs on-coming

### Volume of reports (yearly)

- Vessel: ~22,000
- Dealer: WPacFIN
- Observer: ~300 trips/yr

### Number of active permits

- Vessel – open access: 34
- Vessel – limited access: 187
- Dealer – none

## Key Accomplishments

- Hawaii & Amer. Samoa Longline Observer Data System (LODS)
- InPort Catalog and data inventory project
- Data Access tools (Data Trawler, user views, CR)
- Merged Hawaii/Am. Samoa Logbook data
- Automation of new int'l reporting requirements

# Major Challenges

- Emerging MSRA requirements
  - Annual catch limits
- Central and Western Pacific Fisheries Commission
  - Annual and monthly data summaries
  - Annual quotas
- Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission
  - Annual and monthly data summaries
  - Annual quotas
- Supporting data management in other U.S. areas
  - WPacFIN
- Adequate funding to meet requirements

# Planned Regional Initiatives

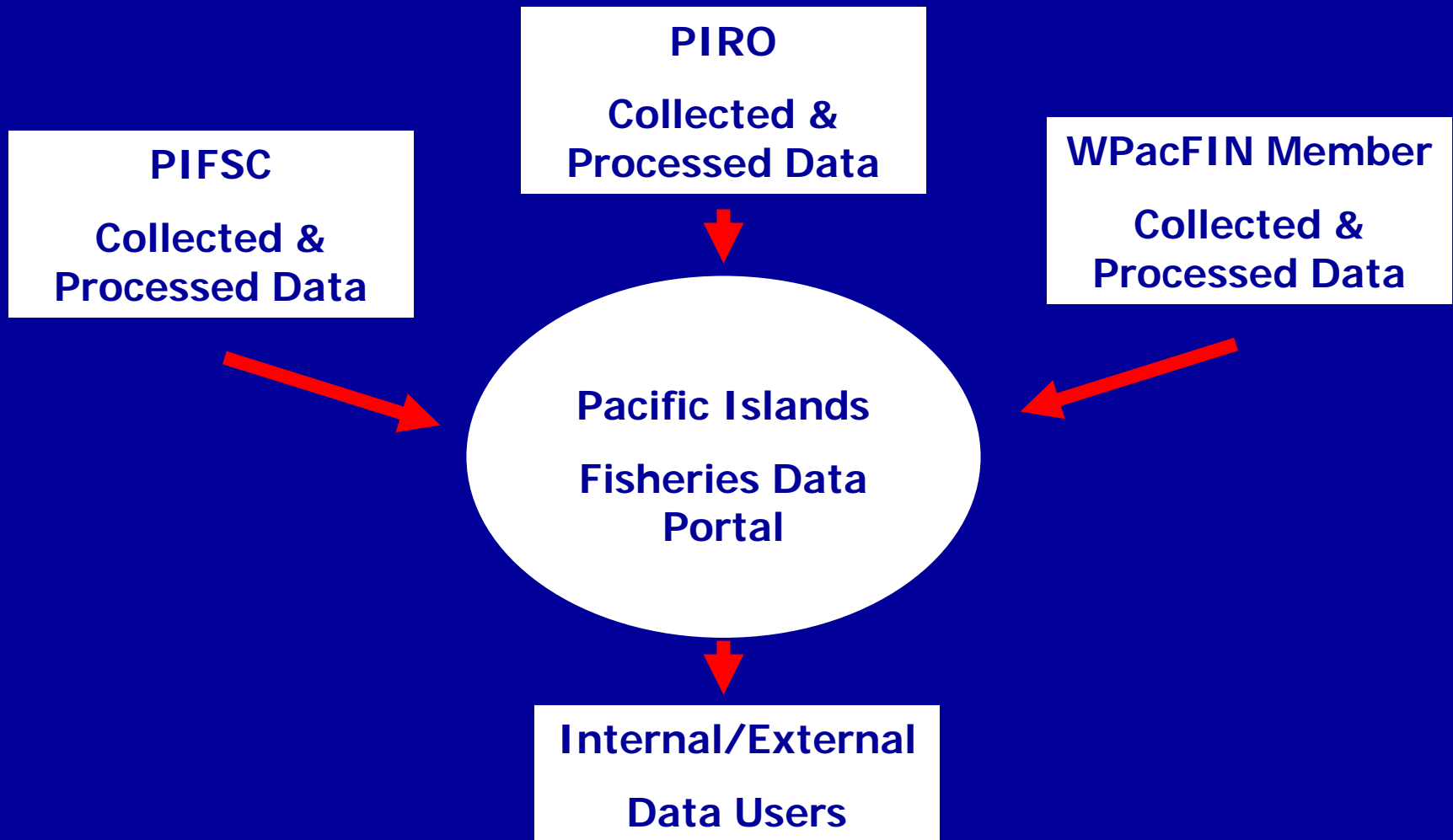
- Observer – Logbook – Landings data integration
- National Permits System
- Integrated Vessel Inventory System
- Recreational Bottomfish permits/logbooks
- Ecosystems data management/IOOS
- Electronic Reporting of logbook data
- Procedures to support use of TAC (ACLs)
- Non-longline pelagic permitting/reporting
- Limited Access Privilege Programs

## Other Comments

- Fisheries management in the Pacific addressed through integrated nature of PIFSC, PIRO, Council, and WPacFIN
- PIFSC and PIRO have begun their organizational life without the IT/systems development/data management infrastructure necessary to meet NOAA requirements
- Major resource demands on PIRO/PIFSC



# Pacific Islands Fisheries Data Portal



# Questions?

